Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 05 Apr 2022 until 23:59 on Wednesday 06 Apr 2022

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 05 Apr 2022 at 02:29 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for rain and snow detail on Tuesday and Wednesday then high for cold showery northerly flow for the rest of the week.

Headline for Tuesday 05 Apr 2022: Cloudy with persistent snow, though rain in the southwest of the area, the mild air probably edging north later.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 05 Apr 2022

Blizzards
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
High Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Sleet	Sleet
Precipitation probability					
80%	80%	80%	80%	60%	40%

Forecast for Tuesday 05 Apr 2022

Weather: Overcast, with spells of snow, even to low levels. Over the southwest of the area around Skye and Lochalsh likely to turn to rain at most levels in the morning. Further north and east, a sharp transition to snow at most levels, this lasting longest over the far north, with the less cold air possibly reaching Easter Ross in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Little chance through the day.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud down to 300-500m and some lower patches, bases lifting in the south in the evening and tending to break at times. Visibility often poor in snow and heavier rain.

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Forecast for Tuesday 05 Apr 2022

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	15/19 E	18/24 SE	22/27 S	17/21 S	23/28 S	34/44 SW	33/43 SW
900	15/19 E	18/23 SE	19/24 S	15/20 S	20/26 S	33/43 SW	31/41 SW
600	13/17 E	15/21 SE	13/18 S	11/15 S	14/20 S	24/35 SW	23/33 SW
300	1/12 E	4/16 SE	3/11 S	2/9 SE	3/12 SE	10/34 SW	8/32 SW
Glen	9/12 E	11/16 E	5/9 SE	7/12 SE	9/16 SE	16/31 SW	14/28 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-2/-8	-1/-8	0/-6	1/-5	1/-6	1/-7	-0/-9
900	-1/-7	-1/-7	1/-5	1/-4	2/-5	2/-6	0/-8
600	1/-4	2/-4	3/-2	3/-1	3/-1	4/-2	2/-4
300	1/-1	1/-1	2/0	2/1	3/1	5/2	4/1
Glen	4/1	5/1	6/4	7/5	6/4	7/4	7/3
Freezing Level*	700m	800m	1100m	1000m	1300m	1100m	900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
A poor climbing day with a multitude of hazards. Heavy and accumulating snow as well as extensive hill fog will make walking and navigating difficult. Temperatures in the table are very uncertain, but should be higher than shown in Skye and Lochalsh.

Forecast for Wednesday 06 Apr 2022
Weather: Rather cloudy with occasional showers, falling as snow above 600-700m falling to 400m or less in the evening. A few bright or sunny intervals.

Maximum wind: Westerly 35 gusts 50mph but significant uncertainty in winds later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30%

Low cloud and visibility: Fairly extensive cloud at 750-900m, a few breaks. Lower patches too especially near showers which will bring moderate to poor visibility at times.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius
At 800m: Zero Celsius falling to Minus 3 later.
Freezing level: 750m falling to 500m later, lower in evening.

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